

Federal Communications Commission  
The Portals II  
445 Twelfth St., SW  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Docket No. 96-98 New York State Public Service Commission's Petition  
for Delegated Authority for Jurisdiction over Area Code Changes Pursuant to 47  
U.S.C. 251(e)(1)

To whom it may concern:

The Arcade Area Chamber of Commerce, Area Code committee, for almost 2 years has been trying to work with the NYSPSC on the 716 Area code. The committee met with some of the FCC staff, in your Washington offices in October of last year and presented our request for your consideration.

I was very appreciative of the time and effort that was accorded the Arcade Chamber Committee. I would also like to point out that to date the NYSPSC has not met with the committee or discussed any of the points of concern raised by the Arcade Area Committee or local School System.

I would like to at this time make it known that my position is that the NYSPSC should not be granted the permission to pick and choose what parts of the rules and regulations they would like to follow, as I believe this request indicates.

I as a member of the Arcade Chamber Committee request that the FCC should, if favorable consideration is given, to the submitted NYSPSC Petition direct the NYSPSC to favorably address the Arcade Chambers and Pioneer Schools request to remain in the 716 Area Code region.

William Koch  
Prestolite Electric  
Facilities Manager  
716-492-1700 x 520